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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

DIRECTORATE OF TREASURIES AND ACCOUNTS, PENSIONS AND NEW PENSION SCHEME

NOTIFICATION

The 15th October, 2025

No. 995396: FD-FPPC/49/2025-3FPPC/173.- Whereas the use of Aadhaar number to establish identity enables individuals to receive subsidies, benefits and services in a convenient and seamless manner, obviates the need for multiplicity of documents to establish identity, simplifies processes and promotes transparency and efficiency;

And whereas the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, after consultation with the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), had allowed vide its letter No. 13(4)/2020-EG-II (VOL-X), dated 20.03.2025 to the Department of Finance, Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts, Pensions and New Pension Scheme, (hereinafter referred to as the said department), Government of Punjab (hereinafter referred to as the said Government) for the purposes prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules) that the said Government/Department may be allowed to perform authentication and be permitted the use of Aadhaar number during authentication for establishing identity of Aadhaar number holder and notify the same under rule 5 of the said rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the Act);

And whereas, the Aadhaar authentication shall be performed for **usage of digital platform to ensure Good Governance** (hereinafter referred to as the said purpose) as prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the said rules and the performance of Aadhaar authentication for the said purpose shall be on voluntary basis and that the said Department shall perform the Aadhaar authentication only **to authenticate retired Government Employees during their registration as pensioner on the online portal for providing pension services using Yes/No or /And e-KYC authentication facilities**, [hereinafter referred to as the use case(s)].

Now, therefore, in supersession of Government of Punjab, Department of Finance, Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts, Notification No. 878444: FD-FPPC0MISC/260/2025-3FPPC/72, dated the 12th April, 2025 and

in pursuance of rule 5 of the said rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Act, the said Department hereby notifies the following, namely: —

1. (1) The Department, as provided in the Act, shall obtain the consent of the Aadhaar number holder for the purpose of authentication herein.

(2) As per sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the said rules, Aadhaar authentication is on voluntary basis. The Department shall inform to the Aadhaar number holder of alternate and viable means of identification and shall not deny any service to the Aadhaar number holder for refusing to, or being unable to, undergo Aadhaar authentication, namely: —

- (a) **Passport;**
- (b) **Voter ID card;**
- (c) **PAN Card; or**
- (d) **Driving License;**

2. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

The consent form to be obtained from the applicant shall be as per form at Annexure “A” to this notification.

Sd/-

ALOK SHEKHAR, IAS

Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Department of Finance.

Annexure "A"

CONSENT FORM FORMAT

I holder of Aadhaar No. give my consent to the Department of Treasury & Accounts, Pensions and New Pension Scheme, Government of Punjab, for fetching/establishing my identity for the purpose of e-KYC through UIDAI using the Aadhaar OTP or Biometric authentication with Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) during my registration as a pensioner on online portal for providing pension services of any registerable document on a voluntary basis.

The consent and purpose of collecting Aadhaar has been explained to me in local language. The Department of Treasury & Accounts, Pensions and New Pension Scheme, Government of Punjab has informed me that my Aadhaar shall not be used for any purpose other than mentioned above.

I understand that the Biometrics and/or OTP, I provide for authentication shall be used only for authenticating my identity through the Aadhaar Authentication System for that specific purpose only.

I have been given other alternative means by the Department of Treasury & Accounts, Pensions and New Pension Scheme, Government of Punjab for KYC purposes including physical KYC by submitting officially valid documents and I have voluntarily chosen Aadhaar based KYC.

Name of the applicant with Aadhaar number.